SPARE DATA SITE ALLOCATION

Abstract of the Disclosure

A method of allocating data sites of a storage device based on quality of

5   the data sites, according to a particular embodiment of the invention, includes

determining the quality of the data sites of the storage device by determining

attribute information for the data series, and allocating certain of the data sites as

spare data sites, based on their quality, for use in accommodating one or more

defects in the storage device.